

REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 10, 14-16, and 18-20 are cancelled.

Claims 9, 11-13, and 17 are rejected.

Claim 21 is new.

Claim 9 is amended to more clearly claim the invention. Specifically, the claim is amended to claim that the video signal being processed is a high definition video signal (specification, page 15, lines 23-34). The claim is also being amended to clarify that the previously claimed "Internet compatible data format" is "JAVA based computer code" (specification, page 16, lines 14-28). The other modifications to the claim are clarity.

Claim 11 is amended to comport the language of the claim to Claim 9.

Claim 12 is amended to comport the language of the claim to Claim 9.

Claim 17 is amended to clarify the modification step as having the claimed proportion be any integer value between 0 and 100 (specification, page 17, lines 17-29).

Claim 21 claims that the JAVA computer code is capable of being rendered as part of a web page (specification, page 16, lines 14-28, page 17, lines 17-22).

No new matter is added in view of these amendments.

ARGUMENTS*I. 35 U.S.C. 103(a) Rejection to Claims 9, 11, 12, and 17*

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 9, 11, 12, and 17 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application 2002/0138840-A1 to Schein in view of U.S. Patent 6,426,779 to Noguchi and in further view U.S. Patent 6,018,764 to Field. Applicants disagree with this ground of rejection.

As amended, Claim 9 now claims that the video signal being processed is a high definition video signal. In addition, Claim 9 also claims that the composite image is formed from video data and JAVA based computer code. The aspect of using JAVA code as part of a composite image is neither disclosed or suggested in the combination of Schein, Noguchi, and Field (HTML data) alone or in combination.

Specifically, the Examiner cites in the Office Action that Schein discloses "different mixes of video and Internet data" by citing to Figures 15A-15C which in combination with Noguchi and Field would anticipate the claimed features of Claim 9. As amended, Applicants note that the Schein shows e-mail message data being rendered, where such data is not the same as "JAVA based computer code data" as claimed in Claim 9.

Applicants also note that the amendment to Claim 17 more clearly defines the operation of the invention as providing that the part of the composite image that is used by the JAVA based computer code is a proportion that "is a percentage capable of being selected from any integer value between 0 and 100". That is, that the proportion between the rendered video of the television program and the JAVA based computer code may represent any integer value between 0 and 100.

The combination of Schein, Noguchi, and Field, do not disclose this claimed feature of Claim 17. Applicants note that Schein only uses several fixed sizes for rendering video and e-mail data. For example, compare the full screen video of Fig. 13A to the reduced video window shown in Figs. 15B and 15C. There is nothing in the Examiner's cited combination to indicate that the part of the screen taken up between either the e-mail data or the video data may be changed to "a percentage capable of being selected from any integer between 0 and 100". That is, the percentage can be any integer value between that range (such as 5%, 10%, 12%, 37%).

For the reasons given above, Applicants request that the Examiner remove the rejection to Claim 9 and 17. Applicants also request that the Examiner remove the rejection to Claims 11-13 as such claims depend on allowable Claim 9. Claim 21 is patentable as well.

Applicants request a three-month extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.181(a) to file this response. Please charge the fee for this extension to deposit account 07-0832. Please charge any other fees owed in connection with this response to this deposit account, as well. Please note, this paper is being filed on May 1, 2006 (as April 29, 2006 falls on a Saturday).

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